

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application;

--1. (Currently Amended) A portable telephone for executing ~~predetermined~~ a plurality of functions selected from hierarchically structured menus, the telephone comprising:

a plurality of ~~dedicated~~ execution keys for instructing execution of the ~~predetermined~~ respective functions from the plurality of functions;

33 function assigning means for assigning ~~one~~ selected ones of the ~~predetermined~~ plurality of functions desired to ~~one~~ respective ones of the plurality of execution keys; [[and]]

display means for displaying information;

a five-direction jog dial for movement in any of five directions, so as to perform input operations relative to the information displayed on the display means; and

function executing means for executing the ~~predetermined~~ function assigned to the execution key in response to one of a pressing of the execution key and a movement of the five-direction jog dial.

--2. (Currently Amended) The portable telephone according to Claim 1, ~~comprising display means for displaying predetermined information~~, wherein the plurality of execution keys is provided near the display means; and

the display means displays symbols representing the ~~predetermined~~ respective functions assigned to the execution keys by the function assigning means near the plurality of

execution keys.

33 --3. (Currently Amended) The portable telephone according to Claim 1, wherein the function assigning means assigns the ~~predetermined~~ function desired to the execution key regardless of a hierarchy of a menu containing the function.

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